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SUBJECT: SEPT. 3 SYRIAN MEDIA REPORT SYRO-JORDANIAN  
CONCERN OVER CONTINUATION OF LEBANESE CRISIS

1. MEDIA REPORTED THAT DURING VISIT BY JORDANIAN MONARCH  
PREVIOUS DAY HUSSEIN AND ASAD MET PRIVATELY AND "REVIEWED  
LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN LEBANESE SITUATION AND CONTINUOUS  
EFFORTS EXERTED BY SYRIA TO ASSIST LEBANON. THEY AFFIRMED  
THEIR CONCERN FOR LEBANON'S EMERGENCE FROM ITS CRISIS AND  
RECOVERY OF ITS SECURITY AND TRANQUILITY."

2. MEDIA REPORTED UPSURGE IN CLASHES IN LEBANON. BEIRUT  
SUBJECT TO ARTILLERY EXCHANGES, WHILE REPORTEDLY FIERCE  
BATTLES TOOK PLACE ON CITY'S CONFRONTATION LINES. ARTILLERY  
FIRE CONTINUED ALONG TRIPOLI-ZGHORTA FRONT.

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3. PRESS NOTED AL HAS COMPLETED ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
FONMINS EMERGENCY MEETING SCHEDULED TO CONVENE SEPT. 4  
TO ESTABLISH DATE AND PLACE OF ARAB SUMMIT.

4. PRESS OBSERVED THAT SAUDI PAPERS HAVE DEVOTED MUCH  
ATTENTION TO IMPORTANCE OF SARKIS VISIT TO DAMASCUS  
AND HIS TALKS WITH PRES. ASAD.

5. LENGTHY MFA STATEMENT ON FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF  
ESTABLISHMENT OF EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN-SYRIAN CAR CRITICIZING  
EGYPT'S FAILURE TO ADHERE TO CAR CONSTITUTION WAS  
BROADCAST BY MORNING DAMASCUS RADIO. AMONG OTHER CHARGES,  
SADAT WAS VIGOROUSLY ACCUSED OF "ESCALATING HIS ATTACKS  
AGAINST SYRIA AS RESULT OF SYRIAN POSITION IN LEBANON"  
AND EGYPTIAN DESIRE TO COVER-UP SINAI ACCORD.  
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